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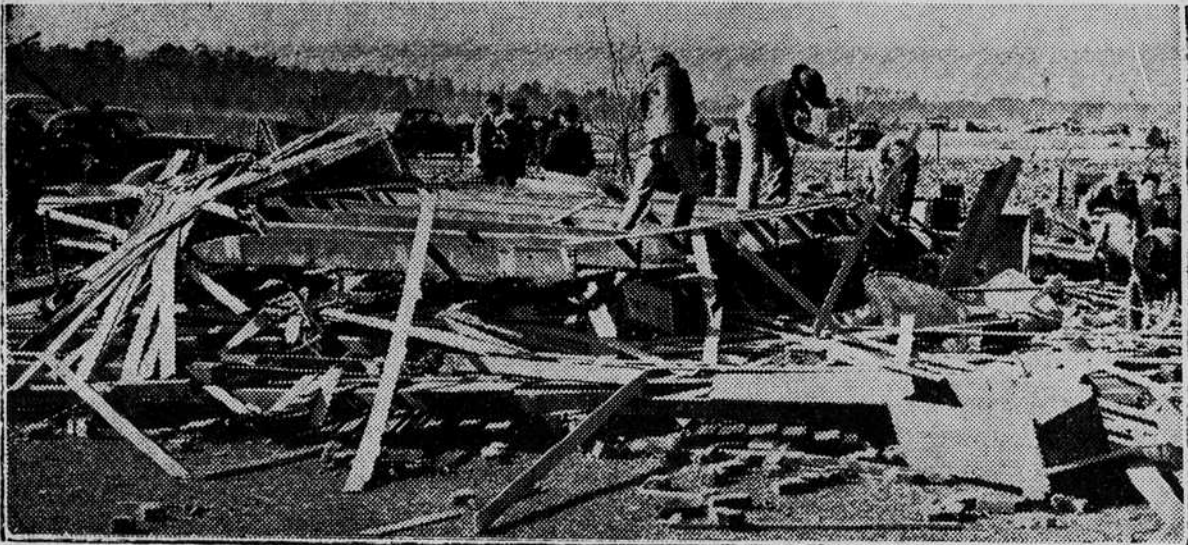
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FOUR TORNADO VICTIMS

In The Path of Tornado



This house at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday was a comfortable home in which Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mizelle, Mr. and Mrs. Starkey Mizelle, and Robert Lawrence were holding an after-supper conversation. A few seconds later the tornado struck the house and Mr. Lawrence, 95, was killed in the wreckage. The above is the home place of Robert Mizelle of Roanoke Rapids.



Seen here are victims of the tornado which brought death and injury to farm families in the Green's Crossroads section of Bertie County near Windsor late Tuesday. Hospital space was crowded and extra beds and supplies were needed to care for the injured.

The three children in the cots nearest the camera are Rosa Lee, Roy and Clyde Asbell, niece and nephews of Robert Mizelle of Roanoke Rapids. In the bed in the left foreground (not seen in the picture) is Mrs. Asbell, Robert's sister. In the center bed, looking at the camera, is Mrs. Paul Sandlin, a cousin of the Roanoke Rapids 'man.

ROANOKE RAPIDS MAN LOSES MOTHER AND GRANDFATHER

Robert Mizelle of Roanoke Rapids left again this afternoon for storm-swept Windsor, his old home, to be at the bedside of several relatives who were in the path of the tornado which struck near there Tuesday night. Mr. Mizelle's grandfather was almost instantly killed when the family home was demolished by the wind and his mother died this morning from injuries received when the house collapsed.

Others of his family injured were his father, Joseph S. Mizelle, a brother, James S. Mizelle, a sister, Mrs. W. R. Asbell, and her three children. All are expected to recover.

The grandfather, Robert Lawrence, 95 years old, was evidently thrown from his chair and crashed to the floor with enough force to break his hip. The old gentleman died from the shock an hour after the storm struck the home at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening.

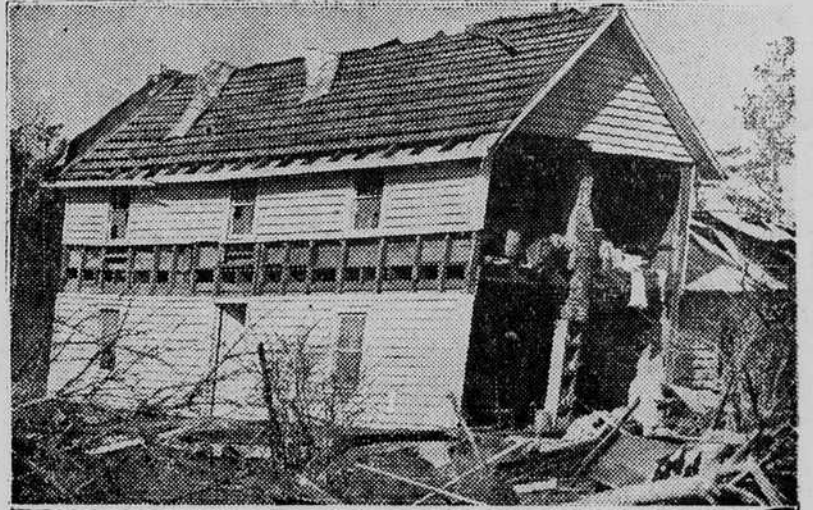
Mr. Mizelle's mother, Mrs. Mary F. Mizelle, died at 5 o'clock this morning at the Windsor Hospital. His father, Joseph S. Mizelle, at

first reported dead, was badly injured but able to be up today. A brother, James S. Mizelle, also injured, was able to leave the hospital today.

The storm, which swept a three-mile path thru a thickly populated area in Bertie County, struck heaviest at Mizelle's relatives, completely destroying his old home and that of his sister across the road. Houses, barns, fruit trees, everything on the two farms was destroyed.

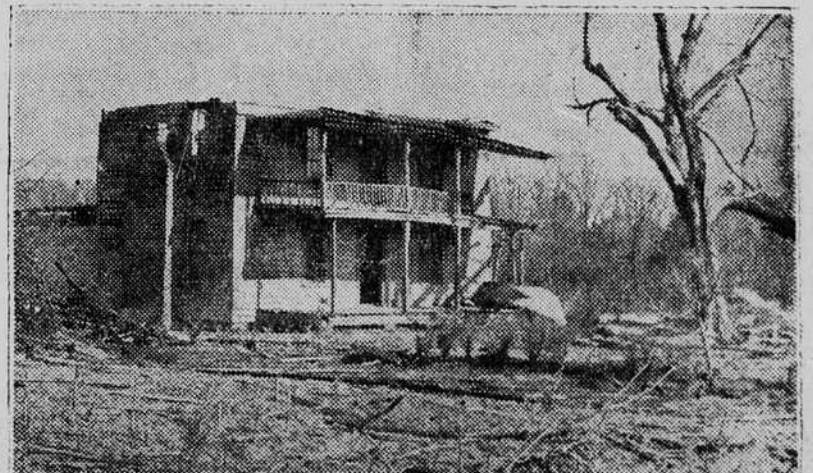
Mrs. Mizelle, who died today, was survived by her husband and nine children: Robert of Roanoke Rapids.

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More than a dozen of farm homes, like the one seen here, were damaged by the tornado which struck the Green's Cross Roads section of Bertie County late Tuesday. Others were levelled to the ground by the twister which brought death and injury to farm families.

This house above was the home of the parents of W. R. Asbell. Mr. Asbell is a brother in law of Robert Mizelle of Roanoke Rapids.



One of the numerous homes wrecked and destroyed by the tornado near Windsor Tuesday was the colonial home seen above. Outhouses were demolished and trees uprooted.

The above is the John Phelps home three miles from the Mizelle home.